NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE PROMULGATION

AGENCY: Depart

Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.04 NN, Closed Area No. 37-D, Long Cove, Deer

Isle.

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.04 NN, Closed Area No. 37-D, Long Cove, Deer Isle.

Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters and mussels from all shores, flats and waters of Long Cove, Deer Isle located north of a line beginning at the southern tip of an unnamed peninsula on the west side of Mariner's Park and running in a northeasterly direction, approximately 1,200 yards, to an unnamed point of land located due north of Teakettle Island. This area is classified conditionally restricted and requires a special MDMR permit.

EXCEPTION: Shellfish may be harvested from April 1 through September 30.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204).

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 26, 2004

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STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources enacts emergency DMR Regulation 95.04 NN, Closed Area No. 37-D, Long Cove, Deer Isle, which closes the shores, flats, and waters of Long Cove, Deer Isle, in the vicinity of Mariner's Park during the fall and winter months. This area is classified conditionally restricted and requires a special MDMR permit.

Department personnel have determined that the above-described area is subject to intermittent microbiological pollution and that the harvesting of clams, quahogs, oysters, and mussels, in these waters poses a threat to public health. The threat of this pollution appears to be limited to the fall and winter months thereby warranting a seasonal closure from October 1 to March 31.

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR GEORGE D.

LAPOINTE, COMMISSIONER AS AUTHORIZED BY

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Legal Notice of Shellfish Closure Area For: Deer Isle

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